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In re Application of MONSALVATJE LLAGOSTERA,
Montserrat, et al.

U.S. Application No.: 09/424,673 : DECISION

PUT No.: PUT/ES98/00145 :

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For: PROCESS FOR OBTAINING QUINAPRIL :

HYDROCHLORIDE AND SOLVATES USEFUL FOR :

ISOLATING AND PURIFYING QUINAPRIL :

HYDROCHLORIDE :

In a decision mailed on 11 April 2002, this Office issued a decision stating that applicants' previous petition under 37 CFR 1.47 was moot. The decision also stated, however, that the declaration submitted on 15 January 2002 (executed by Salvador Puig Torres) was not in compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b). Specifically, the executed declaration does not set forth Mr. Puig Torres' country of citizenship, residence, or post office address.

On 17 June 2002, applicants filed the Substitute Declaration considered herein. This declaration is executed by Mr. Puig Torres, sets forth the required citizenship, residence, and post office address information, and otherwise complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.497. This Substitute Declaration, in combination with the previously submitted declaration executed by the remaining inventors, satisfies the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4).

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the Office of PCT Operations for further processing. The 35 U.S.C. 371 date is 17 June 2002.

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